

Frederick County Health Care Coalition
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: December 1, 2008

Present: Jim Williams
Leigh Joos
Tom Werner
Helen Monk
Pat Hanberry
Gail Griffin

Approval of minutes for November 3, 2008 as submitted. Several folks had difficulty opening e-mail version of minutes, the secretary will try another version with subsequent minutes.

Access Program report: Leigh reported that we are still awaiting word about the Kaiser grant decision as well as the Community grant decision. She has been waiting to submit invoices for her time until these are available. Discussion was had about issues of funding and potential problems if these grants are not approved. There continue to be challenges working through the community foundation system. The program itself is going well; there are approximately 80 enrollees and one new specialist (podiatry). Referrals are coming from several sources within the county.

Committee Reports:

Access Committee will convene this Wed. from 4-5:30 at FMH Tom and Leigh are hoping to get the committee up and running and to find a volunteer to chair it.

Advocacy, Outreach and Education Committee: Planning a seminar in April or May and is looking for more help, Tom will invite attendees at the Access committee meeting to assist with this project as well.

501C-3: IF FCHCC decides not to pursue this we may need to look to other agencies (FMH, Mission of Mercy?). Discussion was had regarding whether or not to push ahead with this. Jim Williams will contact the attorney Mike Delauter (sp?) to review legal issues.

Leaders on Loan: FCHCC has a memorandum of understanding but the general feedback so far is that we may not have enough active projects to be successful recruiting new members. Pat Hanberry will ask Dave Liddle to review with LOL the history of the current projects that have been begun or completed (Needs assessment, Pilot prescription program, FCHAP).

Coalition wide issues: Discussion of how to “re-energize” the coalition. What are we soliciting volunteers to do? Suggestions included the idea that we need both current “hands on” projects as well as new members with creative ideas to help address the

issues identified by the needs assessment survey, and the idea of a bigger long-term plan and a calendar of future activities

Community Action Agency is facing decreased funding from the Health Dept. and so has contacted FMH to try to deal with Lab and X-ray needs as part of this discussion they are revisiting the pharmacy pilot program.

New grants; Pat Hanberry will pursue information from Aetna regarding possible grant funding.

Next Coalition Meeting: Leigh will check out availability of the Library community room for a Feb. date, probable agenda will include viewing portions of the video (title?). Leaders on Loan is to help publicize that event.

Next meetings:

Dec 15th at PHD to review video prior to coalition wide screening

Jan 5th at PHD agenda to include planning Feb full coalition meeting

Feb ? Full coalition meeting hopefully at the public library.

Submitted by Gail Griffin